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Privy Council Office, 25th June, 1937.

The following Statutes made on the 4th day of May, 1937, by (1) The University of Oxford; and (2) The University of Oxford with the approval of Queen's College, Oxford, have been submitted for the approval of His Majesty in Council, and notice of their having been so submitted is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1923."

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

STATUTE APPROVED BY CONGREGATION ON TUESDAY, 4 MAY, 1937.

Whereas it is expedient to repeal Statt. Tit. III. Sect. IV "Of St. Edmund Hall" in accordance with agreements made between the University, the Queen's College, and the Principal of St. Edmund Hall respectively to which effect will be given by the following Statutes and by a Statute to be made and a Deed to be executed by the Queen's College: Now the said University, in exercise of the powers in that behalf conferred upon it by the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1923, and of all other powers enabling it, enacts, subject to the approval of His Majesty in Council, as follows:—

PREAMBLE.

St. Edmund Hall in the University of Oxford is an academical Hall and as such the only survivor of the earliest type of academical society for the residence of undergraduates. The designation of the Hall is believed to commemorate the residence of St. Edmund of

Abingdon, Archbishop of Canterbury, in a house on its site while he was teaching in the University. Owned subsequently by clerks of the family of Bermingham the original messuage passed into the possession of Thomas de Malmesbury, Vicar of Cowley, by whom it was granted about 1270 to the Abbot and Canons of Oseney. It was leased by Oseney Abbey to successive Principals as an academical hall. After the dissolution of the monasteries the site and buildings of the Hall were acquired in 1553 by William Denysson, Provost of the Queen's College, and were conveyed by him in 1557 to the Queen's College. By a Composition made by a Congregation of the University on I March 1559, it was agreed between the University and the Queen's College that the said College should have the right of nominating the Principal provided that "henceforth for ever they will preserve the aforesaid Hall and will preserve it to literary uses ". In 1882, by virtue of the powers conferred on them by the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, the University of Oxford Commissioners made a Statute entitled "Statute for the partial union of the Queen's College and St. Edmund Hall " to which effect was never given: but on 18 June 1912 the University by virtue of the powers conferred on it by the aforesaid Act of 1877 made with the concurrence of the Governing Body of the Queen's College a Statute altering the provisions of the Statute of 1882 and providing for the continuance of the Hall as a place of education, religion, and learning separate from the Queen's College, while preserving the right of the College to appoint the Principal of the Hall. This Statute was approved by the King in Council on 11 February 1913. It was